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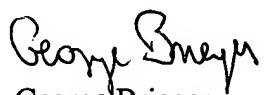
Claims 2-6 and 8-12 are cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer.

Therefore, claims 1, 7 and 13 are the claims currently pending in the Application.

The Specification is amended to add a "Cross Reference to Related Applications" section to show the continuation of the present Application from U.S. Application No. 09/602,229. The present amendment does not introduce new matter.

Early and favorable consideration of the present Application, as amended herein, is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

  
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